

Re: Question about Minex EA? Leah Butler to: Brian J. Stonebrink
Cc: "Harry Hendler", Dawn Richmond

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Hi Brian,

Minex actually owns the tailings that are currently on "BLM-administered" lands at the Ambrosia Mill Site. If Minex transfer the tailings to the Superfund Site and exacerbates existing contamination or contributes additional contamination, Minex could be subjected to Superfund liabilities.

BLM would not become the lead agency for the Superfund Site under any scenarios that I can think of. However, they are the lead agency responsible for cleanup of the Ambrosia Mill Site (as far as I can tell).

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Leah,

If BLM allows the 150,000 tons of manganese tailings to be processed at the Kuhles property at Iron King and it contributes to the contamination at the site; would BLM be the lead agency even though this site is within the Iron King Mine NPL boundary?

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